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DISCUSSION FRAMEWORK – ALBERTA AFFORDABLE HOUSING TASK FORCE

We Want to Hear From You

The Alberta Affordable Housing Task Force wants to hear from a broad range of Albertans about the barriers and issues they face in finding, or providing, affordable housing. Most importantly, we want to know what cost effective solutions you would propose to the shortage of affordable housing across Alberta.

The task force is asking the following questions on its website (www.municipalaffairs.gov.ab.ca) and in community meetings across Alberta. These questions provide a simple and consistent framework to collect and consider input and to present recommendations to the Government of Alberta for both short-term and longer-term solutions to deal with homelessness and the growing need for affordable housing across our province.

If you are interested in the issue of affordable housing, please take the time to consider and answer these questions. Should you require more space to answer questions, please attach extra sheets with input.

But first, here are some things to think about.

Things to Think About

- How to ensure solutions are flexible in addressing the unique needs of individual communities
- Alternative means of constructing, financing, or delivering both market and government-supported housing
- How to make the best use of existing infrastructure
- Ways to make first-time home ownership easier
- The cost effectiveness of solutions
- How to protect tenants' interests and rights
- The fiscal sustainability of solutions over the longer-term

Be Innovative

- Conversion of existing unused or under-used buildings and infrastructure
- Basement or secondary suites
- Housing units that can be moved if needed
- Innovative types of housing units
- Providing housing subsidies to individuals, not just housing units
- New ways support programs can address the needs of those who require special housing supports (for example, the homeless, seniors, disabled Albertans, those seeking temporary shelter or emergency shelter)

QUESTIONS

1. **From your perspective, what are the current barriers or issues that get in the way of providing more affordable housing for Albertans, and appropriate shelter and housing options for the homeless?**

BARRIERS/ISSUES

Homelessness:

Affordable Housing:

Rental Housing:

Home Ownership:

2. Given the barriers and issues you identified, what solutions would you recommend?

SOLUTIONS

Short Term Solutions *What we can do quickly*	Long Term Solutions
Homelessness:	Homelessness:

Affordable Housing:

Rental Housing:

Affordable Housing:

Rental Housing:

Home Ownership:

Home Ownership:

3. **(If this applies to you) What can your organization/sector/community do to contribute to, or play a role in, supporting these solutions?**

ROLES IN SOLUTIONS

Homelessness:

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https://archive.org/details/discussionframew00albe

Affordable Housing:

Rental Housing:

Home Ownership:

4. **What is success? How would you define the best outcome of the efforts of the Alberta Affordable Housing Task Force? How could this success be measured?**

SUCCESS

Homelessness:

Affordable Housing:

Rental Housing:

Home Ownership:

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